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On February 9, 2010 the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education authorized its Superintendent to revise its inter-district transfer policy to limit inter-district/outgoing permits. The school district did not issue a press release or inform the impacted school districts until March 17<sup>th</sup>. There are currently 12,249 outgoing permits. As proposed this policy revision would in effect deny close to 10,000 students, holding 80% of the permits, the opportunity to continue attending neighboring school districts where they are currently enrolled. This will impact 70 out of the 80 school districts in the County.

The Los Angeles Unified School District, like all school districts in the Los Angeles area, is experiencing significant budget deficits. However, the proposed plan is punitive and detrimental to the students and families who currently have inter-district permits. Such a blanket directive will have a negative impact on the welfare of those children as well as on their educational experience and social success.

A more thoughtful transition that takes into consideration the needs of the student

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and their families is warranted. While some revision to the inter-district policy to address the budget deficit may be appropriate, students who currently have permits should be permitted to complete their education at the elementary, middle or high school they are currently attending.

**I, THEREFORE MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors send a 5-signature letter to Superintendent Ramon Cortines and to the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education requesting a modification of the new policy that would permit those students who currently have permits to complete their education at the elementary, middle and high school they are currently attending.

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